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TO: Vaccines for Children (VFC) and 317-Funded Adult (317) Program Providers

SUBJECT: 2016-2017 Influenza Season Vaccine Availability and Ordering

DATE: August 31, 2016

The New Jersey Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program is pleased to announce ordering for influenza vaccine will open today for VFC and 317-Funded Adult (317) Program providers. Only a small percentage of our order has been received and not all influenza vaccine brands are in stock and available. Therefore, initial orders will be limited to 100 doses per type of vaccine. As additional supply is received, the ordering limit will be removed and a notification will be sent via email and posted on the New Jersey Immunization Information System (NJIIS) Bulletin Board. Check the NJIIS Bulletin Board regularly for updated influenza vaccine information.

A summary of the latest Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) influenza vaccine recommendations for the 2016-2017 influenza season is available on the CDC's website at: 2016-17 CDC Influenza

Live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV), also known as the "nasal spray" flu vaccine, should not be used during the 2016-2017 flu season for any age group. See the ACIP Media statement for more information HERE.

ACIP continues to recommend annual flu vaccination, with either the inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV) or recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV), for everyone 6 months and older.

HOW TO PLACE INFLUENZA VACCINE ORDERS

Place influenza vaccine orders in the Inventory Management, Order and Distribution System (IMODS). All influenza vaccine orders will go into Review status.

Ordering Information

- Influenza vaccine may be ordered as frequently as needed to remain stocked. Ordering months do not apply to influenza orders.
- Initial orders will be limited to 100 doses per type of vaccine.
- Place another order when inventory of any one influenza vaccine decreases to 20%.

- Influenza vaccine may be ordered on its own or along with your routine vaccine order.
- Duplicate orders (for vaccine which was ordered but not yet received) will not be honored.
- Temperature logs must be current for the last 2 week period prior to placing an order.
- The vaccines listed on the order page are the only vaccines available to order. Vaccines that have N/A in the Doses box are not available to order. Check back frequently to see when additional brands or formulations become available.
- Prior to scheduling an influenza vaccination clinic, have the vaccine on hand.
- After the ordering limit is removed, maintain a 30 day inventory to minimize waste.
- Influenza vaccine will arrive earlier and be shipped separately from routine vaccines.
- It is not possible to "rush order" influenza vaccine.
- Influenza vaccinations must be entered into the New Jersey Immunization Information System (NJIIS) within 30 days of administration.

As with all vaccine orders, open flu vaccine shipments immediately, check the temperature monitor reading, inspect the vaccine, compare the vaccine and the packing list, and store at appropriate temperatures. If vaccines have been compromised or if temperature monitors are out-of-range, or not present in the box, providers should immediately notify McKesson Specialty Customer Care dedicated vaccine viability telephone line at **877-TEMP123 (877-836-7123)**.

2016-17 VFC Program influenza vaccine choices are:

MANUFACTURER	BRAND NAME	DESCRIPTION	AGE
GSK	Fluarix-Quad	0.5ml single dose syringe, 10 pack; P-free	36 months+
Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	0.5ml single dose syringe, 10 pack; P-free	36 months+
Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	5ml multi-dose vial, One 10-dose vial	6 months+
Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	0.25ml single dose syringe, 10 pack; P-free	6 - 35 months
Seqirus	Flucelvax-Quad	0.5ml single dose syringe, 10 pack; P-free	4 years+

2016-17 317/Adult Program influenza vaccine choices are:

MANUFACTURER	BRAND NAME	ADULT/317	AGE
GSK	Fluarix-Quad	0.5ml single dose syringe, 10 pack; P-free	19 years+
Protein Sciences	Flublok-Tri	0.5ml single dose vial, 10 pack; P-free	19 years+

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